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MEMORANDUM FOR: THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Update Briefing on the Soviet
Space Program

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1. On Tuesday, 3 June at 3:00 p.m., Arthur Manfredi, Congressional Research Service, and Dr. H. Radford Byerly, Jr., Staff Director of the Subcommittee on House Space Science and Applications, Science and Technology Committee, were briefed by OSWR Space Systems Division [redacted] [redacted] et al) on what's new in the Soviet space program. The briefing was requested by Manfredi for Dr. Byerly, but Manfredi asked the majority of the questions.

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2. Topics covered were:

3. The hour briefing ended by our briefers asking Manfredi and Byerly what topics are of high interest on the Hill. There was a short discussion of the reduction in SDI funding, status of the MHB and the possibility of a NEWSSAT (being funded by all three networks) becoming reality.

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